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Helping Families to Help Themselves

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Willamette Week has chosen Human Solutions to participate in their annual [Give!Guide](#) effort! The [Give!Guide](#) is a way to get people excited about giving - and Willamette Week will be providing \$100,000 worth of incentives to people who give. We're grateful for this opportunity to spread the word to the community: to **help** Human Solutions **help** families to **help** themselves. Forward this email on!!!! Help make sure everyone you know visits [Willamette Week's Give!Guide](#) and chooses Human Solutions to give to!

Human Solutions' emPower Lunch raised awareness, funds

On November 17, Margaret Carter, the new Deputy Director of Oregon's Department of Human Services, delivered an inspiring speech about ***Oregonians taking care of each other*** to a crowd of 300 people in Downtown Portland.

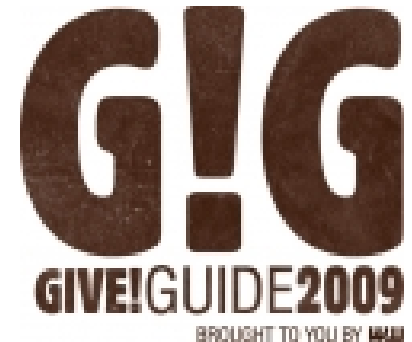
Thanks to our major sponsors, including Bank of America and Pacific Office Automation, and Key Bank, -as well as other sponsors including OnPoint Community Credit Union, and MBank; our event raised awareness of the importance of shelter, employment programs, housing, case management, and emergency assistance for families in need in our community. We also raised over \$34,000 in essential funding for our programs to help families help themselves.

Thanks to all who attended!

Homeless Families Warming Center open for the winter

On any given night, there are more than 2,300 people in homeless families receiving help from the safety net system with roughly 1,275 of those being children. In response to the serious issue of family homelessness, Human Solutions has joined Multnomah County and a number of other organizations to provide emergency support to homeless families and adults this winter. Families who would have otherwise slept out in the cold, wet weather or in unheated buildings or cars now have a place to sleep at night.

The Homeless Families Warming Center is open for the winter through at least March 2010 every night from 7pm to 7am. Donations of blankets, pillows, food, and coats are needed urgently - and can be dropped off any night from 7pm to 10pm at the Warming Center at 1435 NE 81st Avenue in Portland. [Click here](#) to find out more about what is needed at the Warming Center!



Get the word out! Tell all of your friends to check out the Willamette Week's Give!Guide and donate to Human Solutions

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